

$N(t)$  is a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda$  iff:

Ex 5.35

- i)  $N(0) = 0$
- ii)  $\{N(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  has indep. increments

iii)  $P(N(t+h) - N(t) = 1) = \lambda h + o(h)$

iv)  $P(N(t+h) - N(t) \geq 2) = o(h)$   
 $\forall t \geq 0$

Let's check that  $\{N_s(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  defined by  $N_s(t) = N(s+t) - N(s)$  is a Poisson process.

i)  $N_s(0) = N(0+s) - N(s) = 0$

ii) Take  $t_1 \leq t_2 \leq t_3 \leq t_4$ , then

$$\begin{cases} N_s(t_4) - N_s(t_3) = N(t_4+s) - N(t_3+s) \\ N_s(t_2) - N_s(t_1) = N(t_2+s) - N(t_1+s) \end{cases}$$

but we have  $t_1+s \leq t_2+s \leq t_3+s \leq t_4+s$  and hence

$N_s(t_4) - N_s(t_3)$  is indep. from  $N_s(t_2) - N_s(t_1)$  by the independence of increment property for  $\{N(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$ .

iii)  $P(N_s(t+h) - N_s(t) = 1) = P(N(s+t+h) - N(s+t) = 1)$   
 $= P(N(t'+h) - N(t') = 1) = \lambda h + o(h)$

iv) Similar to iii).

Ex 5.39 a) Let  $N(t) := \#$  of mistakes in all divisions in person at age  $t$  (in years).

Then  $N(t) = \sum$  (of all mistakes in all divisions up to time  $t$ ).

Let  $T_0 := 0$  and  $T_1 :=$  time of first mistake. Define

$T_n :=$  (time between  $(n-1)$ th mistake and  $n$ th mistake)

Then  $S_n := \sum_{i=1}^n T_i$  is the arrival time of the  $n$ -th mistake.

Hence we should find  $E[S_n]$ .

In fact,  $E[S_n] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n T_i\right] \stackrel{\text{idemp}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n E[T_i] = \frac{n}{\lambda}$  ( $T_i \sim \text{exp}(\lambda)$ )

Thus  $E[S_{196}] = \frac{196}{2.5}$

b) Similarly  $\text{Var}[S_{196}] = \frac{196}{(2.5)^2}$

c) Noting that  $S_n \sim \Gamma(n, \lambda) = \text{Gamma}(n, \lambda)$  (See page 302 in Ross's)

we get that  $P(\text{an individual dies before } 67.2) = P(S_{196} \leq 67.2) = F_{S_{196}}(67.2)$

where  $F_{S_{196}}$  is the CDF of  $S_{196}$  (the CDF of a  $\text{Gamma}(196, \lambda)$ )

d)  $1 - F_{S_{196}}(90)$

e)  $1 - F_{S_{196}}(100)$

Ex 5.40  $\{N_i(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda_i$  ( $i=1,2$ )  
 $\{N_1(t)\}$  is indep. of  $\{N_2(t)\}$ . Is  $\{N_1(t) + N_2(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$  Poisson process with rate  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$ ?

i)  $N_1(0) + N_2(0) = 0 + 0 = 0$

ii) From independence of  $\{N_1(t)\}, \{N_2(t)\}$  combined with the independence of increments of each of the processes.

iii) 
$$P\left((N_1 + N_2)(t+h) - (N_1 + N_2)(t) = 1\right)$$

$$= P\left[\left(N_1(t+h) - N_1(t)\right) + \left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t)\right) = 1\right]$$

$$= P\left[\left(N_1(t+h) - N_1(t)\right) + \left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t)\right) = 1 \mid N_2(t+h) - N_2(t) = 0\right] \times P\left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t) = 0\right)$$

$$+ P\left[\left(N_1(t+h) - N_1(t)\right) + \left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t)\right) = 1 \mid N_2(t+h) - N_2(t) = 1\right] \times P\left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t) = 1\right)$$

$$= P\left[N_1(t+h) - N_1(t) = 1\right] \times P\left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t) = 0\right) + P\left[N_1(t+h) - N_1(t) = 0\right] \times P\left(N_2(t+h) - N_2(t) = 1\right)$$

$$= (\lambda_1 h + o(h)) (1 - \lambda_2 h + o(h)) + (1 - \lambda_1 h + o(h)) (\lambda_2 h + o(h))$$

$$= (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) h + o(h) \quad (\text{by the properties of } o(h)).$$

iv) Similar to iii).

Ex 5.41  $P(N_1(t) = 1 \mid N_1(t) + N_2(t) = 1) = P(\min(T_1^1, T_1^2) = T_1^1)$

where  $T_1^1$  is the time of the occurrence of the 1st event for  $\{N_1(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$   
 $T_1^2$  " " " " " "  $\{N_2(t)\}_{t \geq 0}$

but this is equal to  $\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}$  by the properties of exponentially distributed random variables.

Ex 5.42 a)  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n T_i \Rightarrow E[S_n] = \sum_{i=1}^n E[T_i] = \frac{n}{\lambda}$

b)  $E[S_4 \mid N(1) = 2] = E[\# \text{ events will occur} \mid \text{at time 1, 2 events have occurred}]$   
 (by memorylessness)  $= 1 + E[2 \text{ events will occur}] = 1 + E[S_2] = 1 + \frac{2}{\lambda}$

c)  $E[N(4) - N(2) \mid N(1) = 3] = E[N(4) - N(2) \mid N(1) - N(0) = 3]$   
 (indep. increments)  $= E[N(4) - N(2)] = 2\lambda$

Ex 5.45

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(T, N(T)) &= E[(N(T) - E[N(T)])(T - E[T])] \\ &= E[N(T) \cdot T] - E[T] \cdot E[N(T)] - E[T] \cdot E[N(T)] + E[N(T)] \cdot E[T] \\ &= E[E[N(T) \cdot T | T]] - E[T] \cdot E[E[N(T) | T]] \\ &= E[T E[N(T) | T]] - E[T] \cdot E[\lambda T] \\ &= E[T \cdot \lambda T] - \lambda E[T]^2 \\ &= \lambda (E[T^2] - E[T]^2) = \lambda \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} * \text{Var}(N(T)) &= E[\text{Var}(N(T) | T)] + \text{Var}(E[N(T) | T]) \\ &= E[\lambda T] + \text{Var}(\lambda T) = \lambda \mu + \lambda^2 \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$